

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1           1. (currently amended) A system for protecting  
2 buildings or structures against external influences with wire  
3 cables that are placed under tension over ~~and/or around~~ adjacent at  
4 least a part of the building or structure, ~~characterized in that~~  
5 ~~the wire cables are maintained under tension, and their~~ the system  
6 comprising

7               ends or extensions of the cables of a predetermined  
8 cross-sectional size and made of a predetermined material; and are  
9 anchored in a

10               respective clamping body or the like (10) that has bodies  
11 each having a guide [[(11)]] passage receiving the respective end  
12 or extension and that is shaped such that when the tensile force is  
13 increased the reaction force presented by the clamping body  
14 [[(10)]] is increased generally proportionally to the tensile  
15 force, the passage having a frustoconical inside surface that  
16 narrows progressively in the direction of the tensile force, the  
17 clamping bodies being made of a material that is harder than the  
18 material of the end or extension of the respective cables.

2 - 3. (canceled)

1           4. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ 1 wherein the wire cable or its

3 extension is plastically deformed when relative movement occurs  
4 through the guide ~~[(11)]~~ in the direction of the tensile force  
5 ~~[(15)]~~.

1 5. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2 claim 1 ~~, characterized in that~~ wherein the end of the wire cable  
3 or its extension is divided into a plurality of partial cable  
4 elements that are disposed at mutual acute angles.

1 6. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2 claim 5 ~~, characterized in that~~ wherein the guide ~~[(11)]~~ for the  
3 wire cable or for its extension is comprised of a plurality of  
4 clamping jaws or spring-loaded rolls that are mounted at individual  
5 mutual angles.

1 7. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2 claim 1 ~~, characterized in that~~ wherein the extension of the wire  
3 cable is comprised of a strip-like body that preferably is wound on  
4 a roll.

1 8. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2 claim 1 ~~, characterized in that~~ wherein the wire cable or the  
3 extension thereof, has a multiple stepwise broadening or a  
4 continuous broadening.

5           9. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
6 claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein different cables have  
7 different reaction forces or different breakage strengths.

1           10. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the wire cables [[(23)]]  
3 can be accommodated [[in/at]] in or at the facade or roof of the  
4 building or structure [[,]] for protective storage.

1           11. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising  
3 a frame structure ~~(29, 29')~~ is provided outside the  
4 building or structure that offers an additional facade surface in  
5 which the wire cables can be accommodated [[,]] for protective  
6 storage.

1           12. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising  
3 profiles [[(22)]] mounted on or in the facade or roof  
4 form cavities in which wire cables can be accommodated [[,]] for  
5 protective storage.

1           13. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising

3           means for connecting the clamping body ~~[[10]]~~ in which  
4   the end of a wire cable ~~[[23]]~~ or the extension thereof is held  
5   ~~[[is]]~~ translationally movably connected to the building or  
6   structure.

1           14. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2   claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising  
3           profiles connected to the wire cables, ~~(23) are connected~~  
4   ~~to profiles (24, 25, 27, 28)~~ that are mounted on or in the facades  
5   or roof, and that can be rotated, swung, or moved translationally.

1           15. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2   claim 14, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the profiles ~~[[24, 25,~~  
3   ~~27, 28]]~~ cause the wire cables ~~[[23]]~~ to be pulled out of the  
4   wire cable storage places and to be placed under tensioned ~~[[,]]~~ by  
5   ~~means of~~ rotational, swinging, or translational movement of the  
6   profiles.

1           16. (currently amended) The ~~[[A]]~~ system according to  
2   claim 13, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the profiles ~~(22, 24, 25,~~  
3   ~~27, 28) and/~~ or frame structures ~~[[29, 29']]]~~ are essentially  
4   comprised of metal.

1           17. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 1 , ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the wire cables placed  
3 under tension form a net structure.

1           18. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 14, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising  
3 central control means ~~are provided~~ for the rotational,  
4 swinging, or translational movement of the profiles ~~(24, 25, 27,~~  
5 ~~28) and/~~ or the frame structures [(29, 29')].

1           19. (currently amended) The [[A]] system according to  
2 claim 18 , ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the control means are  
3 connected to a warning ~~system~~ ( or alarm system [( )]).